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Sir:

The Office Action mailed March 2, 2005, requires Applicant to make species elections, which were unintentionally omitted in Applicant's April 22, 2005 response. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the additional opportunity to respond. Applicant now responds as follows:

Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-23.

As species elections, Applicant elects the species wherein the nucleophile is an amine moiety, wherein the linker includes a photocleavable group having the structure (IV), and wherein the deglycosylated protein is released from the solid support by exposing the resin bound deglycosylated protein to light. Basis for the species election may be found in original claim 7, pp. 14-15 of the specification, and original claim 19.

Claims which read on the elected species include claims 1-11 and 14-19.

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